## STATE OF IOWA

### DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### **UTILITIES BOARD**

IN RE:

INTERSTATE POWER AND LIGHT COMPANY AND MIDAMERICAN ENERGY COMPANY DOCKET NOS. SPU-02-21 SPU-02-23

# ORDER GRANTING INTERVENTIONS AND REQUEST FOR PERMISSION TO APPEAR

(Issued March 13, 2003)

On February 28, 2003, the Iowa Consumers Coalition (ICC) filed with the Utilities Board (Board) a petition to intervene in Docket Nos. SPU-02-21 and SPU-02-23. Deere & Company (Deere) filed a petition to intervene on March 4, 2003. These dockets involve the pending reorganization requests by Interstate Power and Light Company (IPL) and MidAmerican Energy Company (MidAmerican) to allow transfer of ownership or operation of transmission facilities to TRANSLink Transmission Company. No objections to the petitions to intervene were filed.

Each petition alleges an interest in the proceeding. The ICC is a group of eight large energy consumers who purchase electricity from IPL. A list of ICC members is contained in the petition to intervene. The ICC states that its rates and services will be impacted by these dockets. Deere has several manufacturing and other facilities in Iowa and purchases electricity from both MidAmerican and IPL. Deere states that its interests are unique because of the size of its facilities, the

different methods by which the facilities receive service, and the geographic spread of its facilities.

The Board will grant the petitions to intervene. Each intervenor has alleged unique interests in this proceeding that are not currently represented.

Accompanying the petition to intervene filed by the ICC was a request for permission to appear filed by James M. Bushee and Eric Ciccoretti. Both attorneys are licensed to practice in other states, but not lowa. Attached to the request was an appearance of lowa counsel for purposes of service of process pursuant to lowa Supreme Court rule 116. The request for permission to appear will be granted.

# IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

- The petition to intervene filed by the Iowa Consumers Coalition on
   February 28, 2003, is granted.
- 2. The petition to intervene filed by Deere & Company on March 4, 2003, is granted.
- 3. The request for permission to appear filed by James M. Bushee and Eric Ciccoretti is granted.

## UTILITIES BOARD

	/s/ Diane Munns
ATTEST:	/s/ Mark O. Lambert
/s/ Judi K. Cooper Executive Secretary	/s/ Elliott Smith

Dated at Des Moines, Iowa, this 13<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2003.